

If you enjoy a **picnic** in a quiet, beautiful area, **hiking**, **canoeing**, **bicycling**, **stream fishing**, **photographing** the wonders of nature, **hunting** in designated areas, **examining the past** or just **sitting quietly**, you might want to place Hanging Rock on your "must see" list of places to visit and things to do.



Conveniently located in Redfield, Iowa, and consisting of 440 acres, you will appreciate the full diversity of Natural Resources, including

woodland, wetland and prairie as well as rare and unique botanical, aquatic and wildlife species. Big Tooth Aspen, Blazing Star, Thimble Berry and Linear Leaf Panic Grass, all considered rare flora, are found in this area. The fauna you might see could consist of Bald Eagles, Osprey, Great Blue Herons, River Otters and even Bobcats, just to name a few.

Hanging Rock has a unique natural and cultural history. **Geological formations**, archeological

and historical sites, architectural elements, as well as many recreational opportunities are also available for your pleasure.



The oldest, dating back to the mid 1800's, and probably most legitimate story regarding how "Hanging Rock" received its name, was because of the **45 foot sandstone ledges** that overhang the Middle Raccoon River.

Archaeologists confirm Native American affiliations from 500 B.C. to 1700 A.D. Interpretations of this history plays an important role in the **educational opportunities** available. Many school children visit each year on staff led school trips.

The Dallas County Conservation Board constructed an **astronomical clock**, which is designed to map the sun's path throughout the annual cycle of sunrise and sunsets, marking the solstice and equinox events.

A 22' x 68' garage/machine shed was converted into a picnic shelter

and restroom



**facility**. This facility serves as the primary gathering place for special events and educational programs. If you would like to reserve this shelter, please call the Dallas County Conservation Board.

## **How Do I Get There?**

916 Redfield St., Redfield, IA. From the Junction of 1st and Thomas Street go west 2 blocks to 3rd Street turn south (left) on 3rd Street and proceed to the entrance of the park.



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